

FXT30

Guitar Amplifier with Digital Signal Processing



User's Guide



Congratulations!

You are now the proud owner of the Crate FXT30 Guitar Amplifier. This rugged amplifier features a Clean channel with a three band EQ and Level control, and a Solo channel with our patented FlexWave technology. An easy to operate DSP section lets you dial in a variety of digital effects including reverbs, delays, octave and wah-wahs. A Headphones jack lets you practice in private.

Like all Crate products, your FXT amplifier is designed by musicians, and built using only the best components. Extensive testing confirms that this amplifier is the absolute best it can be.

In order to get the most out of your new amplifier, we strongly urge you to read the information contained in this manual before you begin playing.

And thank you for choosing CRATE.







IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- READ, FOLLOW, HEED, AND KEEP ALL INSTRUCTIONS AND WARNINGS.
- DO NOT OPERATE NEAR ANY HEAT SOURCE AND DO NOT BLOCK ANY VENTILATION OPENINGS ON THIS APPARATUS. FOR PROPER OPERATION, THIS UNIT REQUIRES 3" (75mm) OF WELL VENTILATED SPACE AROUND HEATSINKS AND OTHER AIR FLOW PROVISIONS IN THE CABINET.
- DO NOT USE THIS APPARATUS NEAR SPLASHING, FALLING, SPRAYING, OR STANDING LIQUIDS.
- CLEAN ONLY WITH LINT-FREE DAMP CLOTH AND DO NOT USE CLEANING AGENTS.
- ONLY CONNECT POWER CORD TO A POLARIZED, SAFETY GROUNDED OUTLET WIRED TO CURRENT ELECTRICAL CODES AND COMPATIBLE WITH VOLTAGE, POWER, AND FREQUENCY REQUIREMENTS STATED ON THE REAR PANEL OF THE APPARATUS.
- PROTECT THE POWER CORD FROM DAMAGE DUE TO BEING WALKED ON, PINCHED, OR STRAINED.
- UNPLUG THE APPARATUS DURING LIGHTNING STORMS OR WHEN UNUSED FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME.
- ONLY USE ATTACHMENTS, ACCESSORIES, STANDS, OR BRACKETS SPECIFIED BY THE MANUFACTURER FOR SAFE OPERATION AND TO AVOID INJURY.
- WARNING: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK OR FIRE, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS UNIT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE
- SERVICE MUST BE PERFORMED BY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL.
- OUR AMPLIFIERS ARE CAPABLE OF PRODUCING HIGH SOUND PRESSURE LEVELS. CONTINUED EXPOSURE TO HIGH SOUND PRESSURE LEVELS CAN CAUSE PERMANENT HEARING IMPAIRMENT OR LOSS. USER CAUTION IS ADVISED AND EAR PROTECTION IS RECOMMENDED IF UNIT IS OPERATED AT HIGH VOLUME.

EXPLANATION OF GRAPHICAL SYMBOLS: EXPLICACION DE SIMBOLOS GRAFICOS: EXPLICATION DES SYMBÔLES GRAPHIQUES



"DANGEROUS VOLTAGE"

"VOLTAJE PELIGROSO"

"DANGER HAUTE TENSION"



"IT IS NECESSARY FOR THE USER TO REFER TO THE INSTRUCTION MANUAL"
"ES NECESARIO QUE EL USUARIO SE REFIERA AL MANUAL DE INSTRUCCIONES."
"REFERREZ-VOUS AU MANUAL D'UTILISATION"



The Front Panel:



1: INPUT: Use this 1/4" jack to connect your guitar to the amplifier by means of a shielded instrument cable.

SOLO CHANNEL: A high gain channel giving you sounds from a slight edge to serious overdrive.

- 2: GAIN: Use this control to adjust the amount of distortion for the Solo channel.
- **3: SHAPE:** Use this control to adjust the tone of the Solo channel.
- **4: LEVEL:** Use this control to adjust the output level of the Solo channel.
- **5: SOLO/CLEAN:** Use this switch to select the Solo or Clean channel. With the switch in the out position, the Clean channel is selected. When the switch is depressed, the Solo channel is selected.

CLEAN CHANNEL: A normal gain channel designed to give you crystal clear sounds to medium distortion.

- **6: VOL:** Use this control to adjust the output level of the Clean channel.
- **7: LOW:** Use this control to adjust the low frequency level of the clean channel.
- **8: MID:** Use this control to adjust the midrange frequency level of the clean channel.
- **9: HIGH:** Use this control to adjust the high frequency level of the clean channel.
- **10: DSP LEVEL:** Use this control to adjust the level of the selected digital effect. The DSP effects can be turned on and off by using a footswitch (#16, rear panel).
- **11: DSP MODE:** Use this control to select one of the 16 built-in digital effects. The numbers around the control correspond to the digital effects as listed in the chart below.

12: HEADPHONES: Use this jack to connect headphones to the amplifier. The internal speaker is disconnected when headphones are used.

CAUTION: To avoid possible damage to your hearing, do not use headphones for extended periods of time at extremely loud levels.

13: POWER: Use this switch to turn the amplifier on (top of the switch depressed) and off (bottom of the switch depressed). The switch illuminates when the amplifier is turned on.

The Rear Panel (not shown):

14: EXTENSION SPEAKER: Use this jack to connect the amplifier to an external speaker. The internal speaker is disconnected when this jack is used. The impedance of the external speaker must be 4 ohms or greater.

WARNING: Do not attempt to use headphones in the Speaker jack! Permanent hearing damage could result!

- **15: FOOTSWITCH:** Use this jack to connect the 1/4" stereo plug on the cable of a two-button footswitch (such as the Crate CFP2). This allows you to remotely switch between the Clean and Solo channels and turn the DSP effects on and off.
- **16: POWER CORD:** The grounded power cord should only be plugged into a grounded power outlet that meets all applicable electrical codes and is compatible with the voltage, power, and frequency requirements stated on the rear panel. **Do not attempt to defeat the safety ground connection.**

The Digital Effects:

- 1 Small Room Reverb
- 2 Medium Room Reverb
- 3 Large Room Reverb
- 4 Concert Hall Reverb
- 5 Short Slapback with Small Room Reverb
- 6 Medium Delay with Plate Reverb
- 7 Long Delay with Large Room Reverb
- 8 Slow Deep Flange with Reverb

- 9 Flange with Reverb and Delay
- 10 Slow Tremolo Chorus With Reverb
- 11 Chorus with Reverb and Delay
- 12 Rotating Speaker
- 13 Octave Divider
- 14 Touch Wah
- 15 Inverse Wah
- 16 Doubler



FXT30 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS:

| Output Power Rating | | >30W RMS @ 5% THD, 4Ω, 120 VAC |
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| Gain | Solo Ch | 98dB +/-6dB @ 1kHz |
| | Clean Ch | 42dB +/-6dB @ 1kHz |
| Maximum Input Signal Accepted | | 6 volts peak-to-peak min. @ 1kHz |
| Tone Controls | Low | 20dB range @ 80Hz |
| | Mid | 12dB range @ 900Hz |
| | High | 18dB range @ 10kHz |
| Speaker Size and Rating | | 10" Crate Custom Design 4 ohm |
| Power Requirements | | 120 VAC, 60Hz, 50VA |
| | | 100/115VAC, 50/60Hz, 50VA |
| | | 230VAC, 50/60Hz, 50VA |
| Size and Weight | | 15-1/4" H x 17" W x 10" D, 20 lbs. |
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The FXT30 is covered with a durable Tolex material: wipe it clean with a lint-free cloth. Never spray cleaning agents onto the cabinet. Avoid abrasive cleansers which would damage the finish.

Crate continually develops new products, as well as improves existing ones. For this reason, the specifications and information in this manual are subject to change without notice.



